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Serial No.: 09/866180      Group Art Unit: 1745  
Filed: MAY 25, 2001      Docket No.: 13041.14US01  
Title: SPIRALLY-ROLLED ELECTRODES WITH SEPARATOR AND THE  
BATTERIES THEREWITH

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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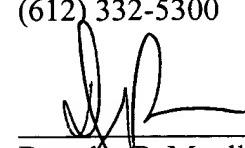
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 18, 2003, said period of response being extended from November 18, 2003 to January 18, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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